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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Kanji NAKAMURA; Toshihiro UENO

Serial No.: 09/911,860

Confirmation No.: 4215

Filed: July 24, 2001

For: NUCLEIC ACID, NUCLEIC ACID FOR DETECTING CHLORINATED
ETHYLENE-DECOMPOSING BACTERIA, PROBE, METHOD OF
DETECTING CHLORINATED ETHYLENE-DECOMPOSING BACTERIA,
AND METHOD OF DECOMPOSING CHLORINATED ETHYLENE OR
ETHANE

December 17, 2002

STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 1.821(f)

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

A diskette which includes a sequence listing for the above-referenced application is enclosed. A paper copy of the file is attached.

The sequence in the present Sequence Listing is shown in the specification; therefore, no new matter has been added as a result of the amendment filed herewith.

The content of the attached paper entitled "SEQUENCE LISTING" and of the accompanying identically labeled diskette, specifically the ASCII-encoded file therein labeled "SEQUENCE LISTING (ASCII COPY).TXT", is the same. Furthermore, the information contained in the attached "SEQUENCE LISTING" and the ASCII-encoded file is identical to the information in the specification as filed.

Consideration of the enclosed diskette and paper are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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